

**City Neighborhood Council
Minutes
Monday, February 27, 2006**

Attending: Pete Spalding, Delridge District, Chair; Chris Leman, Lake Union District, Vice Chair; Cindi Barker, Interim Neighborhood Planning Committee Chair; Dennis Ross, Southwest District; Kate Joncas, Downtown District; Ronald Boddie, Central District; Andrew Taylor, East District; Nicole Rinauro, Magnolia/Queen Anne District, Andy Macdonald, Ballard District

Department Of Neighborhoods Staff: Bernie Matsuno

Guests: City Councilmember Sally Clark, Marco Lowe, Mayor's Office

Action Items:

- January minutes approved
- 2006 City-wide Review Team (CRT) approved. North and Northwest reps still to be named.
- Dennis Ross re-nominated as CIRP representative for another term
- West Precinct remains the preferred meeting space; Pete will work with Wendy and Bernie to find a preferred alternative site.

Discussion: Alternate meeting location. West Precinct not always available. Queen Anne location not ideal. Seattle Municipal Tower – need to check in with security after 7 p.m.; City Hall has same limitation; limits access to meeting. Need central location. Libraries close early. Will work on finding alternative site that works for all.

Guest: Seattle City Councilmember Sally Clark: Chair of Economic Development/Neighborhoods Committees

Will be meeting in community one meeting per month. Looking at Department of Neighborhoods and Office of Economic Development 2006 workplans. March 16 will meet with committee to discuss CNC workplan.

- Five town hall meetings planned on bonds and levies. Chris Leman distributed information from previous meetings on this topic.
- CNC request for support for District Councils/Stewardship Committees in regard to neighborhood plan implementation. Lack of funding and staff. No funding for updating plans.
- CNC request for increase in Neighborhood Matching Fund. Race and Social Justice now included in Small and Simple with no increase in overall funding. Also, if White Center area is annexed, it would create another district seeking funding.
- Traffic impacts of development. 1,000 new housing units proposed in 6-block area in East District. Proposed Business District Strategy decreases parking

requirements. DPD has one-size-fits-all mentality to zoning. Loss of Department of Neighborhoods Neighborhood Development Managers has adversely affected neighborhoods.

- Training for livable wage jobs. Affordable housing. Lack of transportation options-East/West bus service.
- Will run for election.

Guest: Marco Lowe, Mayor's Office

- Hoping to put forth Transportation Levy regarding pedestrian/bike safety projects
- Viaduct replacement close to moving forward; mitigation money would come from state
- Kyoto Protocol
- Annexation White Center/ Working on in Comp Plan as preferred annexation area
- Club Enforcement/Task Force
- Business & Occupation tax revenue – will decrease in 2008
- No water shortages predicted for this summer
- No levy for parks maintenance

Committee Reports

Neighborhood Matching Fund

North and Northwest CRT reps still needed. List of 2006 CRT members distributed. Some have served in the past. Some districts would like to see neighborhood business reps included on CRT. Delridge rep does have business associations, as well as Downtown rep. CRT members were approved.

Form distributed listing Neighborhood Matching Fund awards by district. Would like approval to use this format as yearly reporting and outreach vehicle. Provide feedback to Bob Lucas. Will also distribute to District Councils to review.

Neighborhood Planning Committee

NPI database updates available on-line. Need updates from neighborhoods. Will send link to CNC. Jason Wachs, DON, will contact coordinators to ensure they know how to look up reports.

Neighborhood Business District Strategy: Staying on top of issue.

People not attending committee meetings. Considering holding virtual meetings, communicating via e-mail, Yahoo groups. Bylaws state committees must meet at least four times a year, but do not specify face-to-face meetings. Chris suggested expanding notification list to attract more people to meetings. Will discuss at next Executive Committee meeting. Need to make sure that upcoming committee meetings are included on agenda.

Transportation Committee

S Lake Union Streetcar

Transportation Levy – attended focus meeting

Need to form Citizens Oversight Board

Will go to Council on May 8

Public meeting on March 16 Garfield Community Center

Committee will bring recommendation to full CNC

Budget Committee

Dennis Ross nominated to serve another term on CIRP

Next meeting on March 2 at 5 p.m. Guest: Councilmember McIver Bonds and Levies discussion. Will bring letter to next CNC meeting for action.

Will try to schedule Mayor for April CNC meeting to discuss budget.

Will try to reschedule Yvonne Sanchez for March meeting.

2006 Workplan

March: Bonds and Levies, City Councilmember McIver

April: Mayor Nickels

Executive Conference Calls: Second Monday at 5:30